

REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, Fig. 16 is corrected to include the proper legend. The specification is amended and the Abstract is replaced with a substitute Abstract. Also, claims 1, 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13 and 14 are amended. Reconsideration based on the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Quayle Action indication that claims 1-15 are allowed.

The Quayle Action objects to Fig. 16 as not being designated with a proper legend. Fig. 16 is corrected to obviate the objection. Withdrawal of the objection to the drawing is respectfully requested.

The Quayle Action also objects to the specification because of an informality. The specification is amended as suggested to obviate the objection. Withdrawal of the objection to the specification is respectfully requested.

The Quayle Action also objects to the Abstract of Disclosure for improper language and format. The Abstract is replaced with a substitute Abstract to obviate the objection. Withdrawal of the objection to the Abstract is respectfully requested.

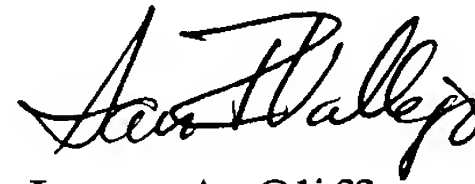
Claim 1 has been amended only to remove "the step of" throughout the claim. No new matter has been entered.

Finally, the Quayle Action objects to claims 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13 and 14 due to informalities. These claims are amended as suggested to obviate the objection. Withdrawal of the objection to the claims is respectfully requested.

For at least these reasons, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-15 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment:
Replacement Sheet (Fig. 16)

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